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FOR THE

Fiscal Year Ending February 15

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FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING
FEBRUARY 15, 1915

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TOWN OFFICERS.

SELECTMEN,

ALBERT S. DAME, FRED W. SCHNEIDER,
EDWARD S. EDMUNDS.

TOWN CLERK,

CHARLES W. LAKE.

TOWN TREASURER,

WALTER S. LANGMAID.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES,

JOHN K. TOWLE.

ROAD AGENTS,

JOHN C. LANGMAID, CHARLES BAILEY,
WILLIAM A. BURTON.

AUDITORS,

NOAH G. EDMUNDS, FRANK H. MARDEN.

HEALTH OFFICERS,

ABRAHAM L. WEST, CLARENCE W. EDMUNDS.

CONSTABLES,

HARRY S. KELLEY, CLARENCE W. EDMUNDS.

LIBRARIAN,

JULIA E. LANGMAID.

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FREDERICK B. SHAW.

SUPERINTENDENT,

CHANNING T. SANBORN.

MUSIC TEACHER,

SOPHRONIA M. YEATON.

SCHOOL TREASURER,

WALTER S. LANGMAID.

TRUANT OFFICER,

OLIVER F. DAVIS.

By request of the State Tax Commission we print the following:

REPORT STATE TAX COMMISSION, 1914.

INCREASE IN PUBLIC EXPENDITURES.

No power has constituted the members of the tax commission guardians of the public in respect to expenditures for the support of government, and they have no disposition to assume that role. Nevertheless, "economy being a most essential virtue in all states," and it being "the duty of legislators and magistrates * * * to countenance and inculcate the principles of * * * economy," all as set forth in the constitution of this state, the commissioners believe themselves to be amply justified in urging, as they have so often urged before, the importance of this subject upon the voters of the state. The public revenue, state and municipal, is the voters' business and they are responsible, directly or indirectly, for every extravagance affecting it from the inception to the termination of the fund.

Every compulsory contribution levied by public authority upon people or property is in the broad sense of the term a tax, nor is it made less obnoxious or burdensome if called a fee or a fine. In the figures that follow, therefore, all fees, fines, and other exactions, if any, are included with the taxes upon polls and estates. To illustrate the comparative importance of the two classes, it may be said that the taxes upon polls and estates represent about 95 per cent. and all other income about 5 per cent. of the total revenue of the state, and of the counties, cities, towns, districts and precincts therein.

Taxes as defined above have increased by leaps and bounds in recent years. In 1903 the sum of all the taxes assessed by and within the state of New Hampshire was $5,373,420.22; in 1913 it was $8,765,039.07, an increase of $3,391,618.85, or 63 per cent., in ten years. But these figures do not adequately represent the velocity the upward movement has now attained. To show that it is necessary to divide the ten-year period: The levy in 1908 was $924,-388.79, or 17 per cent. greater than in 1903, while that in 1913 was $2,467,230.06, or 39 per cent. greater than in 1908. By so much did the advance in the last half of said period exceed that in the first half. These figures will be the more alarming if it is remembered that while taxes already sufficiently heavy were advancing 63 per cent., the population of the state increased only about 4½ per cent., and while the one was advancing 39 per cent., the other increased only about 2¼ per cent.

It is instructive to study the subject from another angle. In the ten years from 1904 to 1914, both inclusive, the annual increase in all taxes defined and limited as above was as follows:

1904	$34,459.91
1905	286,590.14
1906	115,468.39
1907	411,257.46
1908	76,612.89
1909	539,995.97
1910	787,565.31
1911	215,848.50
1912	296,216.85
1913	627,603.43

The average yearly increase for the whole period was $336,561.85. The upward trend is more plainly shown,

however, by dividing, as before, the ten-year period in the middle and considering the halves separately. For the first five years the average annual increase was $184,877.76; for the last five years it was $493,446.01. It is surely pertinent to consider how long the little state of New Hampshire, almost stationary in wealth, can sustain a tax already burdensome and increasing at the rate of practically half a million dollars a year without crippling her industries and impoverishing her people. Plainly it is a condition not calculated to attract capital from without the state or to encourage business within the same.

From the *per capita* standpoint the situation is not less disturbing. In 1903 there were assessed $12.88 in taxes for each man, woman and child in the state. Five years later there were assessed $14.75 for each individual, and in five years more $20.09. If in 1913 taxes had been equally distributed among all the people it would have meant a burden of $100 for each family of five members. Though in reality there was little such equality in the assessment there was much in the payment. The fact is that those who occupy, use or consume property, no matter who owns it, are those who in the last analysis pay most, if not all, of the taxes thereon. If the wage earner or the man of limited means understood he was in reality paying something like $100 a year in state and municipal and half as much more in federal taxes for the government of himself, his wife and three children his influence and his vote would more frequently make for economy in appropriations and expenditures than heretofore.

No statistics for the year 1914 appear in the above paragraphs for the reason that they are not yet at hand except in part.

STATE TAX COMMISSION,
By W. B. Fellows, *Secretary.*

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

INVENTORY OF THE TOWN OF CHICHESTER, APRIL 1, 1914.

Improved and unimproved lands and buildings, 12,513¾ acres,	$320,117.00
Horses, 118,	18,670.00
Oxen, 4,	350.00
Cows, 354,	15,035.00
Other neat stock, 103,	3,237.00
Sheep, 183,	726.00
Hogs, 2,	30.00
Fowls, 300,	150.00
Vehicles and automobiles, 7,	2,550.00
Portable mills, 12,	710.00
Wood, lumber, etc.,	9,050.00
Stock in national banks in this state,	9,067.00
Money on hand, at interest or on deposit,	8,597.00
Stock in trade,	3,700.00
Aqueducts,	100.00
Total, exclusive of exemptions,	$392,089.00

Polls, 168; taxes on same, $336.00.

Amount of taxes committed to collector, including poll taxes,	$5,825.25
Tax rate, $1.40.	
Amount exempted to soldiers.	$6,265.00
Appropriation voted by town,	$4,579.38
Appropriation voted by school district	$1,200.00

General Expenditures.

Paid	state tax,	$1,336.00
	county tax,	939.10
	school district,	3,001.77
	public library,	75.00
	Old Home Week Association,	75.00
	decorating soldiers' graves,	10.00
		$5,436.87

RELIGIOUS SOCIETIES.

Paid	Congregational Society,	$23.76
	Methodist Society,	16.77
	Baptist Society,	11.31
		$51.84

NOTE AND INTEREST.

Paid	National State Capital Bank,	$1,000.00
	interest,	17.78
		$1,017.78

HIGHWAYS.

Paid	Charles Bailey, agent,	$502.14
	W. A. Burton, agent,	425.00
	J. C. Langmaid, agent,	520.72
		$1,447.86

BREAKING AFTER FEBRUARY 15, 1914.

Paid J. C. Langmaid,	$64.71
Charles Bailey,	104.18
S. B. Munsey,	37.41
	$206.30

STATE ROAD ACCOUNT.

Amount of town contribution,	$627.00
Amount of state contribution,	376.20
Total joint fund,	$1,003.20

EXPENDED ON STATE ROAD.

Paid S. B. Munsey,	$8.00
F. M. Edgerly, with man and team,	100.63
G. S. Edgerly,	30.63
J. A. Edgerly,	29.75
E. S. Edmunds, with man and team,	136.00
H. L. Sanborn,	24.50
W. Parker,	46.13
G. A. Bailey,	33.25
Vaughn Bailey,	31.50
F. W. Schneider,	66.25
P. C. Towle, and team,	28.00
A. Herbert,	1.75
A. M. Bailey,	29.75
F. A. O'Meara,	28.00
N. G. Edmunds,	1.00
H. W. Moore,	29.75
Freight on pipe,	2.14
T. Stevens,	10.50
S. C. Marden,	30.25

Paid L. F. Groves,	$26.25
Wilfred Davis,	21.58
A. S. Dame,	51.74
L. A. Sanborn, supplies,	2.15
Hazen Leavitt,	3.50
C. W. Edmunds,	8.75
Hiram Frost,	16.00
F. Davis,	7.00
W. Hubley,	3.50
C. A. Langmaid, team,	16.00
C. Knowles,	7.00
N. E. Metal Culvert Co.,	88.31
N. Lussier, sharpening tools, etc.,	9.10
Woodworth & Co., cement,	8.40
O. F. Davis, dynamite,	10.72
Total expenditures,	$947.78

REPAIRS ON STATE ROAD.

Paid W. A. Burton,	$21.22
F. M. Edgerly, man and team,	33.76
A. S. Dame,	30.30
W. Parker,	17.00
A. L. West,	.88
C. F. Mason,	2.63
R. L. Dame,	8.75
George White,	5.26
H. Frost,	8.00
G. S. Edgerly,	5.25
P. C. Towle,	12.00
Town of Chichester, culvert pipe,	20.75
E. Royce, gravel,	5.90
J. Marston,	2.00
W. S. Langmaid,	26.00

Paid F. L. Winslow,	$12.00
E. S. Edmunds, man and team,	30.25
L. F. Groves,	3.50
C. W. Edmunds,	9.62
F. A. O'Meara,	12.25
J. C. Langmaid,	7.87
W. Hubley,	1.75
A. M. Bailey,	7.00
P. J. Clifford,	5.25
E. S. Edmunds,	18.00
F. M. Edgerly,	1.75
Fred Reil, gravel,	4.00
C. M. Knowles,	6.12
Charles Bailey,	4.38
F. L. Sanders, man and team,	6.00
T. J. Stevens,	2.62
F. W. Schneider,	7.87
L. T. Ordway,	6.12
	$346.05

EXPENDED BY SELECTMEN ON TURNPIKE.

Paid E. S. Edmunds, man and team,	$12.00
E. S. Edmunds,	1.17
Emma Sanborn, man and team,	12.00
G. Bailey,	5.25
V. Bailey,	5.25
M. Bailey,	5.25
F. W. Schneider,	8.81
T. Stevens,	5.25
C. A. Langmaid, man and team,	23.01
F. A. O'Meara,	5.25
	$83.24

RANGEWAY.

Paid F. W. Schneider,	$2.00
S. B. Munsey,	1.56
C. R. Sanborn,	1.56
Melvin Sanborn,	1.56
H. L. Sanborn,	2.53
	$9.21

Report of Charles Bailey, Road Agent.

RECEIPTS.

Received by order of selectmen on town treasurer:

1914.		
Apr. 25. Received,	$100.00	
June 27. Received,	125.00	
Aug. 29. Received,	75.00	
Sept. 24. Received,	60.00	
Nov. 28. Received,	37.00	
1915.		
Feb. 15. Received,	105.14	
		$502.14

EXPENDITURES.

April.

Paid Charles Bailey, 5 3-10 days,	$10.60
W. S. Langmaid, with team, ¾ day,	3.00
A. E. Sanborn, with team, 3 days,	12.00
F. A. O'Meara, 5 days,	8.75
J. C. Langmaid, 1 day,	1.75
A. M. Bailey, 3½ days,	6.12
S. A. Kendall, 2 days,	3.50

Paid S. A. Kendall, dynamite, fuse and caps,	$0.50	
E. S. Edmunds, team, 5 days,	11.25	
F. W. Schneider, 4 days,	7.00	
E. M. Reed, team, 1 day,	2.25	
H. W. Moore, 3 days,	5.25	
G. A. Bailey, 1½ days,	2.63	
Vaughn Bailey, 2 days,	3.50	
H. M. Leavitt, ½ day,	.87	
		$78.97

May.

Paid C. S. Towle, with team, 1 day,	$4.00	
E. S. Edmunds, team, 1½ days,	3.38	
S. B. Munsey, 1 day,	1.75	
F. W. Schneider, 3 days,	5.25	
S. A. Kendall, 3 days,	6.00	
S. A. Kendall, dynamite, fuse and caps,	1.25	
F. A. O'Meara, 3½ days,	6.12	
E. J. Lake, 1 day, with team,	4.00	
F. B. Shaw, 1 day, with team,	4.00	
C. M. Knowles, 1 1-10 days,	1.93	
H. W. Moore, 1 day,	1.75	
W. I. Runnells, 3 hours,	.52	
J. L. Saturley, 3 hours,	.52	
Charles Bailey, 6 8-10 days,	13.60	
		54.07

June.

Paid C. A. Langmaid, with team, 1 day,	$4.00	
G. L. Beales, 1 day,	1.75	
Vaughn Bailey, 4 days,	7.00	
C. W. Edmunds, 3 6-10 days,	6.30	

Paid H. L. Sanborn, 5 days,	$8.75	
E. S. Edmunds, team, 6 days,	13.50	
H. W. Moore, 2½ days,	4.47	
H. M. Leavitt, 5 days,	9.62	
J. F. Leavitt, with team, 3 days,	12.00	
S. B. Munsey, with team, 4 days,	16.00	
A. M. Bailey, 1 day,	1.75	
S. A. Kendall, 2½ days,	5.00	
S. A. Kendall, dynamite, fuse and caps,	1.45	
F. A. O'Meara, 6½ days,	11.37	
C. M. Knowles, 4 days,	7.00	
J. F. Leavitt, 94 loads gravel,	10.34	
Charles Bailey, 8 2-10 days,	16.40	
G. A. Bailey, 4 days,	7.00	
Alfred Carpi, ½ day,	.87	
		$144.57

July.

Paid Call Brothers,	$3.50	
H. W. Moore, 1 day,	1.75	
F. A. O'Meara, 1½ days,	2.63	
Charles Bailey, 4½ days,	9.00	
C. M. Knowles, 3 days,	5.25	
		22.13

August.

Paid E. S. Edmunds, man and team, 1 day,	$4.00	
F. A. O'Meara, 9½ days,	16.62	
C. M. Knowles, 4 days,	7.00	
H. W. Moore, 3 hours,	.43	
F. W. Schneider, 9½ days,	16.62	
Leroy T. Ordway, 4 days,	7.00	

Paid H. L. Sanborn, labor on Range road,	$7.50	
A. M. Bailey, with team, 3 days,	12.00	
E. S. Edmunds, team, 3 days,	6.75	
W. G. Collins, 3 days,	5.25	
L. A. Sanborn, spikes and nails,	.47	
G. A. Bailey, 2 days,	3.50	
Vaughn Bailey, 1½ days,	2.62	
M. T. Bailey, 2 days,	3.50	
C. W. Edmunds, running road machine, 2 days,	4.50	
F. M. Edgerly, man and team, 2 days,	8.00	
Charles Bailey, 4 3-10 days,	8.60	
		$114.36

September.

Paid C. W. Edmunds, running road machine, 1 day,	$2.25	
P. L. Towle, with team, 1 day,	4.00	
C. A. Towle, with team, 1 day,	4.00	
H. Frost, with team, 1 day,	4.00	
E. S. Edmunds, team, 1 day,	2.25	
F. W. Schneider, 4 days,	7.00	
F. A. O'Meara, 3½ days,	6.12	
A. L. West, 1 day,	1.75	
Vaughn Bailey, 1 day,	1.75	
M. T. Bailey, 1 day,	1.75	
H. W. Moore, 1 4-10 days,	2.46	
Charles Bailey, 4½ days,	9.00	
W. S. Langmaid, man and team, 2 days,	8.00	
F. L. Winslow, ½ day, with team,	2.00	

Paid A. M. Bailey, 1½ days,	$2.62	
Kelley & Lake, spikes,	.18	
N. Lussier, sharpening tools,	.87	
		$60.00

October.

Paid Winslow Brothers, 3 days, picking rocks,	$5.25	
H. W. Moore, 1½ days,	2.62	
Robert Carpenter, with team and 2 men, 1 day,	7.50	
F. A. O'Meara, 1½ days,	2.62	
C. M. Knowles, 1 3-10 days,	2.27	
Charles Bailey, 7 hours,	1.40	
C. W. Edmunds, 1 day,	1.75	
A. E. Sanborn, 1 day,	1.75	
E. M. Reed, with team, 1 day,	2.88	
		28.04
Total expenditures,		$502.14

REPORT OF CHARLES BAILEY, ROAD AGENT.

From February 15 to March 14, 1914.

For breaking roads.

RECEIPTS.

Received by order of selectmen on town treasurer:

1914.		
Mar. 28. Received,	$50.00	
May 30. Received,	40.00	
Nov. 28. Received,	14.18	
		$104.18

EXPENDITURES.

Paid W. S. Langmaid, and team, 1¾ days, man 3 hours,	$7.53	
E. C. Moses, 1 day,	1.75	
W. T. Call, 1½ days,	2.62	
E. S. Edmunds, and team, 1½ days, team 2¾ days,	12.15	
N. G. Edmunds, ½ day,	.87	
L. Hildreth, ½ day,	.87	
Alphonso Marston, 2 hours,	.35	
Arthur Marston, ½ day,	.87	
C. L. Ordway, 1 day,	1.75	
D. R. Towle, 1 9-10 days,	3.43	
H. W. Moore, 5½ days,	9.62	
J. Russell, 1 day,	1.75	
L. Russell, 1 day,	1.75	
C. M. Knowles, 1 8-10 days,	3.15	
F. A. O'Meara, 4½ days,	7.00	
J. L. Saturley, 2 7-10 days,	4.69	
W. I. Runnells, 1½ days,	2.62	
E. J. Lake, 2 4-10 days,	4.20	
E. L. Winslow, 3 2-10 days,	5.60	
F. R. Hilliard, 1 2-10 days,	2.09	
Charles Bailey,	9.52	
F. B. Shaw, with team and men,	13.25	
F. L. Winslow, with team and men,	6.75	
Total expenditures,		$104.18

Report of John C. Langmaid, Road Agent, 1914.

Breaking roads after February 15, 1914.

Received by order of selectmen on town treasurer:

1914.

Mar. 28. Received, $64.71

EXPENDITURES.

February—

Paid Rosie Weeks, 4 hours, shoveling,	$0.70
Lester Goodwin, 8 hours, shoveling,	1.40
Phil Clifford, 13 hours, shoveling,	2.28
Medoran Lake, ½ day, shoveling,	.88
E. M. Bartlett, 2½ days, with team,	10.00
C. C. Perry, ½ day, with team,	2.00
John C. Langmaid, 1½ days, shoveling,	3.00
Charles T. Lane, labor and team,	8.25
Joseph S. Marston, shoveling,	3.77
A. T. Green, self and team, 4 hours,	1.60
Joseph Marston, 6 hours, with team,	2.40
J. W. Green, 11 hours, shoveling,	1.92
John Clark, 1 day, shoveling,	1.75
Elwyn Bennett, 1 day, shoveling,	1.75
Roscoe Weeks, 1 day, shoveling,	1.75
Levi Hildreth, 1 day, shoveling,	1.75
Alphonso Marston, 1½ days, shoveling,	2.62
Arthur Marston, 1½ days, shoveling,	2.62
Philip Clifford, 1 day, shoveling,	1.75
Frank Hilliard, 1 day, shoveling,	1.75
William Godbou, 13 hours, shoveling,	2.27
C. C. Perry, 1 day, with team,	4.00

Paid George W. Lake, 2½ hours, with team,	$1.00	
Charles W. Lake and man, 2 hours,	.70	
Leon Barrey, 8 hours, shoveling,	1.40	
Levi Hildreth, 8 hours, shoveling,	1.40	
		$64.71

REPORT OF JOHN C. LANGMAID, ROAD AGENT, 1914.

Received by order of selectmen on town treasurer:

1914.		
May 30. Received,	$175.00	
June 27. Received,	177.15	
Aug. 29. Received,	43.00	
Oct. 31. Received,	115.00	
1915.		
Feb. 15. Received to balance,	10.57	
Total receipts,		$520.72

EXPENDITURES.

March.

Paid E. M. Bartlett, hauling bridge plank,	$4.00	
J. C. Langmaid, 1 day work,	2.00	
E. M. Bartlett, team, ½ day,	2.00	
J. C. Langmaid, 3½ hours,	.60	
W. S. Langmaid, man and team, 3½ hours,	1.40	
		$10.00

April.

Paid John C. Langmaid, ½ day,	$1.00	
Walter S. Langmaid, ½ day, with team,	2.00	
		$3.00

May.

Paid Bert M. Bailey, labor,	$13.48	
Alphonso Marston, labor,	13.48	
Charles M. Knowles, labor,	12.78	
Phil Clifford, labor,	12.78	
John C. Langmaid, 7 days and 8 hours,	15.60	
Harold Hilliard, 7 days, with team,	28.00	
Charles W. Lake, 1 day, with team,	4.00	
E. M. Bartlett, 4 days, with team,	16.00	
W. S. Langmaid, running road machine,	2.25	
W. S. Langmaid, man and team, 1 day,	4.00	
Willie Hubley, 6½ days and 8 hours,	12.78	
Courtland Ordway, labor,	6.85	
Leroy T. Ordway, 2 days,	3.50	
Sam Kendall, labor, caps and dynamite,	7.90	
Fred W. Schneider, 2 days,	3.50	
Alvin M. Haines, 2 days,	3.50	
William Godbow, 1 day,	1.75	
		162.15

June.

Paid Ed. J. Lake, 2 days, with team,	$8.00	
E. M. Bartlett, 7 days, with team,	28.00	
G. W. Lake, 7 days, with team,	28.00	
Frank L. Winslow, 5 days, with team,	20.00	
Joseph Marston, 7 days.	12.25	
Alphonso Marston, 1½ days,	2.63	
Phil J. Clifford, 7 days,	12.25	
Bert M. Bailey, 6½ days,	11.38	
Adolph Blood, 1 day,	1.75	
J. C. Langmaid, 7 days and 4 hours,	14.70	
A. M. Haines, 1 day,	1.75	
Walter S. Langmaid, running road machine,	4.50	
Frank Edgerly, 1 day, with team,	4.00	
John Payne, 100 loads of hardpan,	10.00	
John Payne, man, 1 day,	1.75	
Willie Hubley, 4 hours,	.70	
Nathan Marston, 1 day,	1.75	
Eddie C. Moses, 3 days,	5.25	
Leroy T. Ordway, 3 days,	5.25	
Lucius F. Groves, 2 days,	3.50	
Arthur Deering, labor,	1.50	
		$178.91

August.

Paid Walter Lock, labor, with team,	$14.87	
C. M. Knowles, 6 days, raking rocks,	10.50	
Leroy Ordway, 5½ days, raking rocks,	9.62	
Arthur Deering, raking rocks,	1.00	
Nelson Lussier, sharpening tools,	1.60	

Paid Joseph Marston, poles,	$2.50	
Kelley & Lake, spikes,	.30	
J. C. Langmaid, ½ day,	1.00	
		$41.39

September.

Paid Harry Ordway, 1 day,	$1.75	
Leroy T. Ordway, 1 day,	1.75	
C. M. Knowles, 1 day,	1.75	
J. C. Langmaid, 2 days,	4.00	
W. S. Langmaid, with team,	4.00	
E. M. Bartlett, 2 men and team, 1 day,	5.75	
Ed. Green, cutting bushes,	5.64	
J. Marston, 6 hours, with team,	1.50	
		26.14

October.

Special order from Selectmen.

Paid E. M. Bartlett, two men and team, 3 days,	$17.25
W. S. Langmaid, 3 days, with team,	12.00
Frank L. Sanders, 3 days, with team,	12.00
C. C. Perry, man and team, 2 days,	8.00
C. C. Perry, gravel,	8.00
Bert M. Bailey, 3 days,	5.25
Roscoe Weeks, 3 days,	5.25
C. M. Knowles, 3 days,	5.25
Lester Goodwin, 3 days,	5.25
Will G. Collins, 3 days,	5.25
Leroy T. Ordway, 2 days,	3.50
John C. Langmaid, 3 days,	6.00

Paid Harold Hilliard, 1½ days,	$2.63	
Harry Ordway, 2 days,	3.50	
		$99.13
Total expenditures,		$520.72

Report of W. A. Burton, Road Agent.

RECEIPTS.

Received by order of selectmen on town treasurer:

1914. Received,	$425.00

GENERAL EXPENDITURES.

May.

Paid A. S. West, labor,	$11.37	
F. M. Edgerly, self, man and team,	45.47	
A. S. Dame, labor,	15.00	
W. A. Burton, with team,	35.70	
C. F. Mason, labor,	6.12	
Daniel Moses, labor,	2.65	
		$116.31

June.

Paid A. S. Dame, labor,	$2.64	
F. M. Edgerly, self, man and team,	38.50	
David Moses, blasting,	11.00	
Charles F. Moses, labor,	9.62	
P. L. Towle, man,	7.00	
A. L. West, labor and sharpening tool,	13.65	
W. A. Burton, with team,	22.75	
C. F. Mason, labor,	6.13	
		111.29

July.

Paid	C. F. Moses, labor,	$2.62	
	David Moses, labor,	5.25	
	W. A. Burton, with team,	14.87	
	A. S. Dame, labor and pipe,	2.00	
	A. L. West, labor,	5.25	
			$29.99

August.

Paid	Oliver Griffin, with team,	$7.75	
	M. E. Prescott, labor,	4.37	
	Eugene King, labor,	6.12	
	Desire Langloise, labor,	5.25	
	O. F. Davis, dynamite and caps,	3.85	
	F. M. Edgerly, fuse,	.50	
	P. L. Towle, fuse,	.36	
			28.20

November.

Paid	W. E. Davis, labor,	$5.25	
	James A. Edgerly, labor,	5.25	
	George S. Edgerly, labor,	5.25	
	F. M. Edgerly, self, man and team,	17.25	
	J. K. Towle, labor,	3.25	
	A. S. Dame, labor,	8.34	
	David Moses, labor,	6.00	
	Arthur Moses, labor,	7.88	
	Charles Moses,	7.88	
	W. A. Burton, labor,	18.65	
			85.00

SPECIAL ALLOWANCE FOR BLASTING OUT LEDGE.

November.

Paid David Moses, blasting,	$18.00	
Arthur Moses, labor,	5.25	
Charles Moses, labor,	5.25	
Hiram Frost, with team,	12.90	
A. S. Dame, fuse,	1.10	
A. L. West, sharpening tools,	3.00	
O. F. Davis, dynamite and caps,	6.13	
		$51.63

BREAKING TO FEBRUARY 15, 1915.

Paid F. M. Edgerly,	$0.58	
C. A. Towle,	.60	
W. A. Burton,	.40	
George A. L. Towle,	1.00	
		2.58
Total expenditures,		$425.00

REPORT OF S. B. MUNSEY, ROAD AGENT.

After February 15, 1914.

RECEIPTS.

Received by order of selectmen on town treasury, 1914,	$37.41

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Frank Grady,	$5.50
David Moses,	8.55
F. M. Edgerly,	2.20
W. P. Call,	4.00

Paid	S. B. Munsey,	$3.50	
	C. A. Towle,	.88	
	William A. Burton,	2.00	
	Alfred Hibbard,	1.58	
	Albert Dame,	1.75	
	W. F. Call,	7.45	
			$37.41

Town Officers.

Paid	F. H. Marden, auditor, 1913,	$1.50	
	Charles Bailey, supervisor, 1913 and 1914,	25.00	
	S. B. Munsey, supervisor, 1913 and 1914,	25.00	
	F. B. Drake, supervisor, 1913 and 1914,	25.00	
	H. M. Sanborn, hearse agent,	15.00	
	Julia E. Langmaid, librarian,	15.00	
	E. S. Edmunds, selectman,	55.00	
	F. W. Schneider, selectman,	55.00	
	A. S. Dame, selectman,	70.00	
	J. K. Towle, collector, 1913 and 1914,	85.60	
	W. A. Burton, collector, 1910, 1911 and 1912,	6.00	
	C. W. Edmunds, health officer,	5.00	
	C. W. Edmunds, constable,	10.00	
	H. S. Kelley, constable,	4.50	
	S. B. Munsey, 1898, 1899, 1900,	.14	
	N. G. Edmunds, auditor,	1.50	
	C. W. Lake, town clerk,	15.00	
	C. W. Lake, dog officer,	8.20	
	W. S. Langmaid, treasurer,	25.00	
			$447.44

MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid Evans Press,	$1.50
C. R. Sanborn, labor on town house,	31.60
E. S. Edmunds, meeting tax commission,	3.65
F. W. Schneider, meeting tax commission,	4.25
A. S. Dame, meeting tax commission,	4.25
E. S. Edmunds, attending road convention,	6.35
F. W. Schneider, attending road convention,	5.75
A. S. Dame, attending road convention,	5.75
Ladies' Aid, dinners, March, 1914,	2.75
selectmen's dinners,	7.55
J. E. Gage, keys,	.50
A. S. Dame, drawing lumber,	2.50
freight, express and telephoning,	10.46
Cragg Bindery,	.75
W. S. Langmaid, wood and cleaning town house,	3.00
W. S. Langmaid, board of town officers, 1913,	7.00
A. G. Marston, attending fire,	2.00
Orrin Marston, labor and grade,	3.00
F. W. Schneider, labor on Pine Ground bridge,	3.50
E. S. Edmunds, labor on Pine Ground bridge,	3.50
Badger fire extinguishers and freight,	185.85

Paid Ira C. Evans Co., printing reports and ballots,	$48.00
E. C. Eastman, supplies,	13.75
Temple & Farrington, order books,	5.00
Joseph Marston, labor on Pine Ground bridge,	1.75
F. A. O'Meara, labor on Pine Ground bridge,	2.62
Chichester Telephone Co.,	18.98
Welch, Folsom, lumber for bridge,	2.88
C. R. Sanborn, labor on Webster's bridge,	2.50
E. S. Edmunds, labor on Webster's bridge,	10.50
A. S. Dame, labor and expense on bridges,	10.75
W. S. Langmaid, fire warden,	14.10
E. A. Lane, insurance on town house,	6.24
Thompson & Hoague, supplies,	17.99
Kelley & Lake, supplies,	8.13
Martin & Howe, legal advice,	5.00
Ladies' Aid, dinners, 1914,	3.00
Julia E. Langmaid, dinners at primaries,	2.50
J. L. Saturley, damage to sheep by dogs,	5.00
F. M. Edgerly, man and team, hauling plank,	5.75
S. C. Marden, hauling lumber,	8.00
W. H. Mitchell, returning births and deaths,	1.50
Good Roads Machine Co., road drag,	18.00

Paid	C. A. Langmaid, wood for tramp house,	$4.50
	W. S. Langmaid, wood for town house,	3.00
	W. F. Call, labor and paint stock,	4.85
	James A. Edgerly, dog license returned,	2.00
	J. K. Towle, printing tax bills,	1.00
	J. F. Warren, labor on bridge,	2.50
	Courtland Ordway, watching fire,	2.50
	C. W. Lake, license book,	1.50
	C. W. Lake, returning births and deaths,	4.75
	C. W. Lake, postage and telephone,	3.50
	E. S. Edmunds, expense on bridges,	13.75
	F. W. Schneider, expense on bridges,	6.75
	selectmen, adjusting county accounts,	15.00
	overseers of poor,	30.00
	W. A. Burton, trip to Concord,	2.50
	E. S. Edmunds, expense in H. Greene case,	4.10
	W. A. Burton, team, in H. Greene case,	1.00
	F. W. Schneider, expense in H. Greene case,	6.10
	A. S. Dame, expense in H. Greene case,	5.35
	F. W. Schneider, postage, telephone and labor,	1.90
	W. S. Langmaid, postage,	2.00
	W. S. Langmaid, board of town officers, 1914,	12.95

Paid W. S. Langmaid, ½ cord wood,	$2.50	
Brown & Saltmarsh, supplies,	.50	
supplies,	1.85	
		$643.75

ABATEMENTS.

Paid J. K. Towle, collector, 1914 (John Wilson),	$4.83	
Howard Saturley, loss of horse,	2.07	
A. M. Haines, loss of buildings,	4.90	
E. M. Reed, loss of horse,	2.45	
A. E. Sanborn, loss of horse,	2.10	
J. K. Towle, loss of horse,	1.40	
S. B. Munsey, loss of horse,	1.75	
E. M. Reed, loss of horse, 1913,	2.04	
		$21.54

W. A. Burton, collector—

George F. Davis, 1910,	3.00	
George F. Davis, 1911,	2.00	
George F. Davis, 1912,	1.36	
Leon Berry, 1911,	2.00	
Leon Berry, 1912,	1.36	
Adolph Blood, 1911,	7.10	
Adolph Blood, 1912,	1.36	
John Leaver, 1911,	2.00	
John Leaver, 1912,	1.36	
Joseph Hussey, 1912,	1.36	
Alvin T. Marston, 1911,	2.00	
Alvin T. Marston, 1912,	1.36	
Frank W. Welch, 1912,	1.36	
Simon Marston, 1911,	2.00	
		29.62

Paid John K. Towle, collector, 1913—

Adolph Blood, 1913,	$1.38	
Joseph Hussey, 1913,	1.38	
George F. Davis, 1913,	1.38	
Alvin T. Marston, 1913,	1.38	
William A. Marston, 1913,	1.38	
Frank W. Welch, 1913,	1.38	

John K. Towle, collector, 1914—

Frank A. Dennin, paid in Epsom,	2.00	
Charles W. Durgin, loss of horse,	1.05	
Fred H. Fellows,	2.00	
John F. Marston, over 70,	2.00	
Arthur H. Kendall, paid in Pittsfield,	2.00	
James Shackford, paid in Pittsfield,	2.00	
John Wilson,	2.10	
Seth W. Saltmarsh, soldier,	4.20	
William A. Marston,	2.00	
Joseph Hussey,	2.00	
		$29.63

S. B. Munsey, collector—

Charles Welch, 1898,	$1.45	
Charles Welch, 1899,	1.66	
Charles Welch, 1900,	1.40	
Edward Welch, 1898,	1.45	
Edward Welch, 1899,	1.66	
Edward Welch, 1900,	1.40	
		9.02
		$89.81

County Paupers.

Paid aid to John Wilson family,	$35.30	
aid to Henry Oxford—		
J. G. Cate, board,	65.00	
L. A. Sanborn, supplies,	11.90	
Kelley & Lake, supplies,	2.50	
		$114.70

Aid to Soldiers and their Families.

Paid L. A. Sanborn, supplies,	$104.00	
Kelley & Lake, supplies,	104.00	
A. S. Dame, time and expense,	14.20	
Mrs. Bert Holt, board,	8.00	
C. A. Langmaid, conveyance,	6.00	
		$236.20

Public Watering Places.

Paid E. M. Reed, 1912, 1913 and 1914,	$6.00	
Frances Hook,	2.00	
Heirs of C. J. Shaw,	2.50	
Robert U. Carpenter,	2.00	
N. G. Edmunds,	2.00	
Alice Hutchinson,	2.00	
		$16.50

Tramp House.

Paid George Burnham, lumber,	$4.00	
Freeman Marden, lumber,	4.00	
Concord Lumber Co.,	56.04	
J. Hodge,	10.95	
brick,	3.17	
W. S. Langmaid, drawing brick and sand,	2.00	

Paid furnishings,	$9.30	
F. W. Schneider, labor,	16.88	
C. R. Sanborn, labor,	47.10	
E. Welch, trip to Concord,	2.00	
A. S. Dame, labor,	2.00	
W. P. Call, labor,	2.50	
hardware,	1.25	
		$161.19

Town Paupers.

Paid aid to E. E. Stockman and family—		
Kelley & Lake, supplies,	$144.09	
W. S. Langmaid, wood,	2.00	
Mary J. Carpenter, potatoes,	10.35	
L. D. Gilmore, professional services,	79.75	
Clara G. Clifford, nursing,	65.00	
A. S. Dame, wood,	5.00	
H. H. Frost, wood,	27.50	
C. A. Langmaid, wood,	5.00	
		$338.69

Moth Account.

Paid E. S. Edmunds, 1913,	$1.92	
A. S. Dame, 1913 and 1914,	4.25	
E. Welch,	17.22	
Lawrence West,	.88	
A. M. Bailey,	12.00	
J. C. Langmaid,	2.50	
W. S. Langmaid,	1.75	
Vaughn Bailey,	2.72	
		$43.24

TRAMPS.

Paid	E. S. Edmunds, caring for tramps,	$30.00	
	Kelley & Lake, caring for tramps,	2.50	
	W. S. Langmaid, caring for 161 tramps at 25 cents,	40.25	
			$72.75

ACCOUNT OF F. L. SEAVEY, TREASURER, 1914 CHICHESTER OLD HOME WEEK ASSOCIATION.

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Mar.	1. To cash on hand from last year,	$0.55	
Sept.	11. To appropriation from town,	75.00	
			$75.55

DR.

Sept.	16. By cash paid Rumford Printing Co.,	$20.00	
	By cash paid Frank Price for orchestra,	15.00	
	21. By cash paid Leon A. Sanborn for stamps, etc.,	4.16	
Oct.	19. By cash paid Rev. Joseph B. Palmer,	5.00	
	22. By cash paid Mrs. N. G. Edmunds, for supplies,	3.50	
	24. By cash paid S. C. Marden, for pitchers, etc.,	4.66	
	For lemons,	4.90	
	For 7 lbs. coffee, at 28 cts.,	1.96	
	For 54 lbs. sugar, at 8 cts.,	4.32	
	For 1 can milk,	.35	
	By cash paid Rev. William Gardner,	5.00	

1915.			
Jan.	1. By cash paid Leon A. Sanborn, for hall and piano,	$3.75	
Feb.	12. By cash paid F. L. Seavey, for telephone, postal charges, etc.,	1.50	
	13. By cash balance on hand,	1.45	
			$75.55

RECAPITULATION.

General expenditures,	$5,436.87
Note and interest,	1,017.78
Town officers,	447.44
Miscellaneous,	643.75
Highways,	1,746.61
State road,	947.78
Repairs on State road,	346.05
Moth account,	43.24
Town paupers,	338.69
County paupers,	114.70
Soldiers,	236.20
Religious societies,	51.84
Abatements,	89.31
Watering places,	16.50
Tramp house,	161.19
Tramps,	72.75
	$11,711.20

A. S. DAME,
F. W. SCHNEIDER,
E. S. EDMUNDS,
Selectmen.

We hereby certify that we have examined the financial accounts of the selectmen of the Town of Chichester for the fiscal year ending February 15, 1915, and find them correctly cast and supported by proper vouchers.

NOAH G. EDMUNDS,
FRANK H. MARDEN,
Auditors.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Receipts.

Cash on hand, February 15, 1914,	$2,285.02
Received of selectmen—	
Railroad tax,	843.57
Savings bank tax,	1,903.69
Literary fund,	83.16
Proportion of school fund,	226.31
Paupers and dependent soldiers,	433.50
State highway department,	325.65
On town note,	1,000.00
Road pipe,	20.75
Bridge plank,	13.50
Received of—	
Charles Lake, town clerk, dog licenses,	88.00
J. K. Towle, collector in 1914,	5,375.25
J. K. Towle, collector in 1913, balance,	325.00
S. B. Munsey, collector in 1898, balance,	2.90
S. B. Munsey, collector in 1899,	3.32
S. B. Munsey, collector in 1900,	2.80
W. A. Burton, collector in 1910,	17.50
W. A. Burton, collector in 1911,	28.18
W. A. Burton, collector in 1912,	354.32
J. K. Towle, collector in 1913,	6.45
S. C. Marden, collector in 1903, balance,	7.03
Total receipts,	$13,345.90
Total expenditures,	11,711.20
Cash in treasurer's hands, February 15, 1915,	$1,634.70

DUE THE TOWN.

Cash in treasurer's hands,	$1,634.70
From J. K. Towle, collector in 1914,	450.00
From W. A. Burton, collector in 1912,	83.93
From state highway department,	106.81
	$2,275.44

LIABILITIES.

Parsonage fund,	$864.66

W. S. LANGMAID,
Treasurer.

We hereby certify that we have examined the financial accounts of the town treasurer for the year ending February 15, 1915, and find them correctly cast and supported by proper vouchers.

NOAH G. EDMUNDS,
FRANK H. MARDEN,
Auditors.

TOWN LIBRARY.

TRUSTEES.

Charles A. Langmaid,
Frederick B. Shaw,
Otis T. Maxfield,
John L. T. Shaw,
Albert S. Dame,
Walter S. Langmaid.

TREASURER.

Albert S. Dame.

LIBRARIAN.

Julia E. Langmaid.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Received from town,	$75.00

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Julia E. Langmaid, for books,	$69.00
branch librarians,	6.00
	$75.00

A. S. DAME,
Treasurer.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

There are in the library 1,415 volumes, 1,205 of which are fiction, 72 history and travel, 41 poetry, 25 natural science, 21 biography and 21 miscellaneous. Several more have been ordered.

The largest circulation of volumes for one day, 103.

The branch libraries are much appreciated.

JULIA E. LANGMAID,
Librarian.

The town has purchased 24 Badger fire extinguishers, which are located at the following places:

A. L. West, 2.
F. L. Winslow, 2.
W. S. Langmaid, 2.
A. S. Dame, 2.
C. T. Lane, 2.
E. S. Edmunds, 2.
C. A. Langmaid, 2.
F. W. Schneider, 2.
Courtland Ordway, 2.
L. A. Sanborn, 2.
I. L. Lane, 2.
J. S. Marston, 2.

CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS.

Mary B. Young Fund.

Capital deposited in N. H. Savings Bank,	$95.00
Paid J. F. Leavitt, for care of lot,	2.50

Sarah J. Haines Fund.

Deposited in Loan & Trust Savings Bank,	$100.00
Paid G. W. Lake, for care of lot,	3.00

Lavina Locke Fund.

Deposited in N. H. Savings Bank,	$200.00
Paid J. F. Leavitt, care of lot,	4.00

Alice M. Reed Fund.

Deposited in N. H. Savings Bank,	$100.00
Paid G. W. Lake, labor on lot,	3.00

Marion D. Lake Fund.

Deposited in N. H. Savings Bank,	$100.00
Paid G. W. Lake, labor on lot,	3.00

Content Lake Fund.

Deposited in N. H. Savings Bank,	$150.00
Paid G. W. Lake, labor on lot,	3.00

James E. Rand Fund.

Deposited in N. H. Savings Bank,	$45.00

W. S. LANGMAID,
Treasurer.

REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD.

Expenditures.

TEACHERS.

Paid Ruth Caldwell,	$120.00
Ethel Harvey,	175.50
Florence Besse,	252.00
Kathryn Shaw,	290.00
Harriet J. Goss,	110.00
Alice C. French,	195.50
Edith Towle,	246.50
Irene Richardson,	160.00
Mabel Sargent,	54.00
	$1,603.50

MUSIC TEACHER.

Sophronia M. Yeaton,	$150.00

SUPERINTENDENT.

C. T. Sanborn, from November 15, 1913, to February 15, 1914,	$93.75
C. T. Sanborn, from February 15, 1914, to January 15, 1915,	343.75
	$437.50

DISTRICT OFFICERS.

G. W. Lake, member of school board, 1913,	$25.00
A. S. Dame, member of school board, 1913,	25.00
H. S. Kelley, member of school board, 1913,	25.00
J. K. Towle, auditor, 1913,	1.00
A. S. Dame, member school board, 1914,	20.00
H. S. Kelley, member school board, 1914,	20.00
F. B. Shaw, member school board, 1914,	20.00
W. S. Langmaid, treasurer,	10.00
O. F. Davis, enumerating officer,	10.00
	$156.00

JANITORS.

Paid Evie Stockman Cate,	$4.00
Sam Green,	1.50
Kathryn Shaw,	3.00
Alice C. French,	5.75
Ruth Griffin,	5.25
Florence Besse,	5.50
Melvin Sanborn,	3.00
Raymond Kendall,	4.25
Llewellyn Towle, 1913,	4.75
Llewellyn Towle, 1914,	5.75
Kate Mitchell,	4.25
Constance Mitchell,	2.75
	$49.75

TUITION.

Paid Pittsfield high school,	$65.21
Concord high school,	260.00
Pembroke Academy,	120.00
	$445.21

WOOD.

Paid S. B. Munsey,	$6.75
J. S. Marston,	18.00
A. S. Dame,	30.00
Emma Sanborn,	12.00
Edwin Sanborn,	12.00
H. S. Kelley,	4.50
G. W. Lake, 1913,	4.50
Mrs. William Robinson,	1.50
D. R. Towle,	11.00
E. J. Lake,	5.50
	$105.75

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

Paid C. T. Sanborn,	$3.25
Houghton, Mifflin & Co.,	17.01
Milton Bradley & Co.,	1.10
Ginn & Co.,	6.40
Kelley & Lake,	6.10
L. A. Sanborn,	2.70
Maxfield & Sanborn,	1.75
	$38.31

REPAIRS.

Paid Harry Green,	$5.50
C. M. Knowles,	6.50
W. F. Call,	13.84
W. F. Call, paint stock,	24.99
W. P. Call,	12.25

Paid Edwin Sanborn,	$11.75
F. B. Shaw,	.50
	$75.33

MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid Alfred Carpi, fitting wood,	$1.00
C. S. Towle, cleaning vault,	1.00
A. H. Britton, supplies,	7.18
W. J. Carpenter,	2.52
Thompson & Hoague, supplies,	6.70
Pembroke School District, tuition for Hutchinson children, 1911, 1912, 1913 and 1914,	75.00
J. M. Stewart & Sons Co., shades,	4.00
Mrs. Herbert, cleaning schoolhouse,	2.00
Constance Mitchell, cleaning schoolhouse,	2.00
Lucius Groves, cutting and fitting wood at Center,	12.06
W. A. Burton, kindling and trip to Concord,	3.30
Kate Mitchell, labor,	.75
freight and express,	1.23
	$118.74

RECAPITULATION.

Paid teachers,	$1,603.50
music teacher,	150.00
janitors,	49.75
district officers, 1913,	76.00
district officers, 1914,	80.00

Paid superintendent,	$737.50
wood,	105.75
tuition,	445.21
books and supplies,	38.31
repairs,	75.33
miscellaneous,	118.74
Total expenditures,	$3,180.09

A. S. DAME,
H. S. KELLEY,
F. B. SHAW,
Members of School Board.

I hereby certify that I have examined the accounts of the School Board of Chichester for the year ending February 15, 1915, and find them correctly cast and supported by proper vouchers.

LEON A. SANBORN,
Auditor.

Chichester, N. H., February 26, 1915.

SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER'S REPORT.

Receipts.

Cash on hand, February 15, 1914,	$6.29
Received from Loudon School District, for 1913 tuition,	55.00
Received from selectmen,	3,001.77
Received from Loudon School District for 1914 tuition,	43.50
Received from Epsom School District for 1914 tuition,	78.50
Total receipts,	$3,185.06
Paid on orders of school board,	3,180.09
Cash in treasurer's hands, Feb. 15, 1915,	$4.97

W. S. LANGMAID,
Treasurer.

I hereby certify that I have examined the accounts of the school treasurer of Chichester and find them correctly cast and supported by proper vouchers.

LEON A. SANBORN,
Auditor.

February 27, 1915.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

To the School Board of Chichester:

I submit herewith to you and to the townspeople my fifth annual report as superintendent of schools. There have been in all six such reports.

Statistics generally afford dry reading, but they are often suggestive and illuminating if carefully studied. I call your attention to the statistical table accompanying this report. You will observe that our school year in three of our schools has been but twenty-eight weeks in length and in the other three but twenty-nine weeks. I do not need to tell you that it is unfortunate that we are going backward instead of forward in this particular. As I have repeatedly said, the school year ought not to be less than thirty-five weeks. There are at present, if I am not mistaken, thirteen pupils from Chichester attending high schools or academies for whom the district pays tuition. These children are provided with a school year of thirty-eight and forty weeks, while we give the children in the Chichester schools less than thirty weeks. This does not seem to me altogether just. Furthermore, it is quite impossible to do satisfactorily a full year's school work in twenty-nine weeks. I am sure this is evident to any one who stops to consider the matter.

The attendance has been excellent for the most part. Whooping-cough broke up things somewhat in some of the schools during the winter term. The regularity of the attendance of the pupils at school is one test of the efficiency of a school. As a rule the attendance is poor in a poor school. There is still some need for a better appreciation of the value of punctuality.

The statistical table shows the teachers for each term. Some changes are inevitable, but our policy ought to be to keep a good teacher if possible. While the salary we pay is fair for a town of this type, the fact that our school year is very short is to our disadvantage in securing acceptable teachers. It is perfectly evident that the teacher will choose the position which gives her the longest year of work. There are but very few towns in New Hampshire now which do not have more than thirty weeks in the year.

We had during the last term two state qualified teachers, Miss Kathryn Shaw and Miss Mabel Sargent. If this town was entitled to state aid it would receive two dollars per week for each of these teachers.

Our school buildings are on the whole in good condition, although none of them measure up to the standard which State Superintendent Morrison made for us in his very practical talk before the grange. The seats and desks at the Pine Ground and Bear Hill schools ought to be replaced at once with something of a more modern type. I do not think the present equipment reflects credit on the district. Care should be taken that the new desks and seats are either adjustable or so graduated that the small children will not be compelled to sit and dangle their legs with their feet several inches from the floor, as is the case at the Center school. The interior appearance of this school is attractive, but the seating arrangements for the little people are positively bad and ought to be corrected at an early date.

The blackboard accommodations at the Pine Ground school are very unsatisfactory. The boards are old and the writing surface exceedingly poor. These old boards should be taken out and natural slate put in and about double the present number of boards. If this school is to be what it ought to be the physical conditions must

be much improved. There is similar need at the New Dover school. This building is also in need of further attention. The walls and ceiling are in bad condition and the general appearance is unattractive. I trust that the district in making the appropriations may take these needs into consideration.

We have been in the past rather economical and almost parsimonious in our supply of text-books and other material for the children. Compared with the wealth of material which some other school systems furnish, our supply has been somewhat meagre. By all means we should continue to be economical, but let us not overdue the thing. I think we ought to have for new material this next year not less than one hundred twenty-five dollars. I hope the board may deem it wise to ask for that sum.

It may not be unwise for me to repeat a recommendation which I made a year ago. I believe it would be of benefit to the schools if the school board should have regular meetings. There are continually arising matters which need the consideration of the board as a board. If meetings were regular and bills regularly paid the board would have some notion of the financial condition at all times. At the beginning of the year some reasonable division of the money to be available could be made and an attempt made to keep within such assignments in the expenditures. Furthermore, regular meetings would afford that opportunity which is very much needed for the superintendent to better understand the desires of the board and to regularly report to them the condition of each school.

I presume we are all mindful of the effort which is being made in many localities to bring the home and the school into closer touch and to a better mutual understanding. The schools cannot assume if they would the whole task of educating the boys and girls. The home

has an equally important part. The home and school have mutual interests and they are mutually responsible in this business of training children. It is necessary that they work together and that they be mutually sympathetic if the thing is to be successfully done. There is one agency which has been found to be a strong force in bringing about this coöperation. I refer to the parent-teacher association. Organizations of teachers, parents and all citizens interested in good schools and child welfare are being formed in many places. They afford an opportunity for the people to get acquainted with the teachers and the teachers with the people. Meeting once a month, questions relating to schools and community conditions are discusesd. Everyone has an opportunity to express his ideas. The matter is seen from various angles. Mutual sympathy and the better understanding for which we are working are pretty sure to be developed. The mere getting together of the people in a rural community for such a purpose can not fail to be productive of much good. I believe some such organization ought to be formed in Chichester.

There is one large item of expenditure which ought not to be overlooked in making the estimates for the next year. Nearly four hundred fifty dollars was paid out this last year for high school tuition. I estimate that the bill this next year will be nearly six hundred dollars. It is perfectly evident that additional money must be raised to meet this or the local schools will suffer even more than they have this year. The district raised this last year by taxation for school purposes a total of $2,617.50. If a total of $2,732 is raised this year there is a chance of securing state aid.

Respectfully submitted,

CHANNING T. SANBORN,
Superintendent.

ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE.

Horse Corner.

SPRING TERM.

Alvin Moses,
Nathalie Towle,
Llewellyn Towle,
Frank E. West,
Herbert West.

FALL TERM.

Albert Moses,
Llewellyn Towle,
Frank E. West.

WINTER TERM.

Albert Moses,
Mabel K. Dame,
Leon Towle,
Maude Towle,
Alvin Moses,
Bernard Towle,
Llewellyn Towle,
Nathalie Towle,
J. Franklin Towle.

Center.

SPRING TERM.

Charles Call,
Normand Call,
Melvin Sanborn,
Blanche Towle,
Ellen Call,
Eunice Leavitt,
Ralph Sanborn.

FALL TERM.

Charles Call,
Bernice Sanborn,
Ralph Sanborn,
Normand Call,
Marion Sanborn,
Eunice Leavitt.

WINTER TERM.

Charles Call, Ellen Call,
Normand Call, Eunice Leavitt.

NEW DOVER.

SPRING TERM.

Maurice King, Hugh MacDonald.

FALL TERM.

Alice E. King.

WINTER TERM.

Maurice H. King.

BEAR HILL.

SPRING TERM.

William E. Lake, Clarence Shaw,
Ethelyn Lake.

FALL TERM.

Ethelyn Lake, William E. Lake,
John M. Mitchell, Kate W. Mitchell,
Sybil Mitchell, Murray Mitchell,
Clinton Shaw, Benjamin Shaw,
Clarence Shaw, Merwin Shaw,
Nellie Shaw, J. Leslie Winslow.

WINTER TERM.

Laura C. Harvey, Ethelyn Lake,
William E. Lake, Merwin Shaw,
Murray Mitchell, Kate W. Mitchell,
Benjamin Shaw, Sybil Mitchell,
Nellie Shaw, J. Leslie Winslow.

Pine Ground.

SPRING TERM.

Helen M. Brown,
Elsie M. Collins,
Grace Stockman,
Muriel Lincoln,
Herbert F. Stockman,
Franklin S. Harvey,
Arthur H. Lincoln,
Percy D. Ordway,
Ruth Stockman.

FALL TERM.

None.

WINTER TERM.

Arthur H. Lincoln,
Muriel Lincoln.

Kelley's Corner.

SPRING TERM.

Oscar Hultman,
Iola Edmunds,
James A. Warren,
Dorothy Edmunds,
Iva Edmunds.

FALL TERM.

Dorothy Edmunds,
Iva Edmunds,
James A. Warren,
Iola Edmunds,
Oscar Hultman.

WINTER TERM.

Blake Adams,
James A. Warren,
Oscar Hultman.

For the Year.

Llewellyn Towle,
Normand Call,
William E. Lake,
Oscar Hultman,
Charles Call,
Eunice Leavitt,
Ethelyn Lake,
James A. Warren.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

School.	Term.	Teacher.	Salary per month.	No. weeks.	Total enrollment.	Average membership.	Average attendance.	Per cent. attendance.	No. tardinesses.
Kelley's Corner	Spring..	Alice C. French..	$34.00	12	16	12.37	12.02	97	18
	Fall.....	Alice C. French..	34.00	11	17	16.71	16.07	96	21
	Winter..	Mabel P. Sargent.	36.00	6	17	16.24	14.44	90	35
Pine Ground...	Spring..	Kathryn Shaw...	40.00	12	23	22.48	21.49	96	24
	Fall.....	Irene Richardson	40.00	11	25	23.00	21.50	93	74
	Winter..	Irene Richardson	40.00	5	25	20.30	18.00	88	14
Bear Hill.....	Spring..	Harriet Goss.....	40.00	11	17	17.00	16.30	96	14
	Fall....	Kathryn Shaw. .	40.00	11	14	14.00	13.83	99	1
	Winter..	Kathryn Shaw...	40.00	6	14	14.00	13.86	99	1
Center	Spring..	Florence E. Besse	36.00	11	16	15.38	14.72	96	1
	Fall.....	Florence E. Besse	36.00	11	16	16 00	15.50	97	2
	Winter..	Florence E. Besse	36.00	6	16	14.69	13.81	94	7
Horse Corner. .	Spring..	Ruth Caldwell...	40 00	12	13	13.00	12.50	96	42
	Fall....	Ethel B Harvey.	42.00	11	13	13.00	12.67	97	16
	Winter..	Ethel B. Harvey..	40.00	6	13	13.00	12.93	99	12
New Dover	Spring..	Edith M. Towle..	34.00	12	12	11.08	10.37	93	11
	Fall.....	Edith M. Towle..	34.00	11	11	10.13	9.65	95	10
	Winter..	Edith M, Towle..	34.00	6	10	6.77	6.07	89	3

Births Registered in the Town of Chichester for the Year ending December 31, 1914.

Date of birth.	Name of the child (if any).	Sex and condition.				Name of father.	Maiden name of mother.	Color of parents.	Occupation of father.	Birthplace of father.	Birthplace of mother.
		Sex.	Living or stillborn.	No. of child, 1st, 2d, etc.	Color.						
June 21	Madelene Laura.....	F.	L.	3	W.	Alvin E. Sanborn	Dora S. Leaver.....	W.	Farmer.....	Chichester.....	Chichester.
July 18	Madison Armond....	M.	"	2	"	Albert M. Bailey	Harriett F. Bullard ...	"	"	"	Merrimack.
Sept. 4	Arthur Alfred	"	"	1	"	Lucius F. Groves.....	Cordelia M. Hebert....	"	"	"	Concord.
17	.....	"	"	1	"	Frank H. Marden.....	Irene G. French	"	Carpenter ...	"	Pittsfield.
Oct. 25	Edward, Jr.....	"	"	22	"	Edward E. Stockman..	Narcissa G. Fellows...	"	Farmer.....	Pittsfield	Brentwood.
30	.....	F.	"	2	"	Samuel C. Marden	Emily Harriett Styles.	"	"	Chichester.....	Buxton, Me.
Nov. 4	Mary	"	"	4	"	William Godbout	Ada M. Hilliard..... ..	"	Laborer	Leeds, Mass....	Epsom.

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

CHARLES W. LAKE, *Town Clerk.*

Marriages Registered in the town of Chichester for the Year ending December 31, 1914.

Date of marriage.	Place of marriage.	Name and surname of groom and bride.	Residence of each at time of marriage.	Age.	Color.	Occupation of groom and bride.	Place of birth of each.	Names of parents.	Birthplace of parents.	What marriage.	Name, residence and official station of person by whom married.
Jan. 3	Chichester.	Willis Wilcox	Chichester..	36	W.	Surveyor of lumber.	Cary, Me...	Alfonso Wilcox	Cary, Me.....	2	Rev. William Collins, Chichester.
								Susan Rock	France		
		Laura F. Saturley.....	"	23	"	At home.....	Chichester.	John L. Saturley....	Manchester..	1	
								Annie L. Stevens....	Chichester...		
June 6	"	William I. Runnells...	"	41	"	Teamster...	Penacook..	Samuel H. Runnels .	Gilmanton...	1	Rev. Samuel B. Enman, with Justice of Peace license, Chichester.
								Mary E. Currier.....	Penacook ...		
		Grace L. Saturley	"	29	"	At home.....	Chichester.	John L. Saturley....	Manchester..	1	
								Annie L. Stevens....	Chichester...		

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Deaths Registered in the Town of Chichester for the Year ending December 31, 1914.

Date of death.	Name and surname of the deceased.	Age.			Place of birth.	Sex and condition.			Occupation.	Place of birth.		Name of father.	Maiden name of mother.
		Years.	Months.	Days.		Sex.	Color.	Single, mar. or widow'd.		Father.	Mother.		
Jan. 4	James F. Towle	73	11	22	Chichester...	M.	W.	M.	Farmer.....	Chichester.	Chichester...	James B. Towle	Sarah B. Sherburne.
28	Daniel Perry.....	2	1	28	" ...	"	"	S.	.....	"	Sunapee	Christopher C. Perry	Elizabeth Collins.
Mar. 24	Hannah L. Mason ..	87	11	24	" ...	F.	"	"	Housekeeper	"	.....	Aaron Mason	Mary Yeaton.
Apr. 21	Fred H. Fellows.....	54	4	3	" ...	M.	"	M.	Blacksmith.....	"	Chichester...	John Fellows.....	Ursula Webster.
May 17	Augustus Sheldon...	70	5	15	Salem, Mass.	"	"	"	Farmer.....	Ipswich, Ms	Salem, Mass.	Eliab Sheldon.....	Elizabeth Richards.
June 28	Louisa E. Dame.....	72	4	9	Chichester...	F.	"	W.	....[hand on R. R.	.....	.....	John Lake.....	Ruth Rowell.
Oct. 12	Henry A. Marden...	91	..	25	Epsom.....	M.	"	"	Retired section	Epsom	.....	Jonathan Marden...	Martha Moulton.
Nov. 14	Jeremiah Smith.....	89	3	9	Scotland	"	"	"	Blacksmith.....	Scotland ..	Scotland	Robert Smith	Sarah Carr.
22	Ann M. Langmaid ..	83	5	14	Concord	F.	"	"	.....	Concord ...	Chichester...	Simeon Stevens	Nancy Carpenter.
23	Mary D. Moore.....	83	8	27	.....	"	"	"	.....	.....	.....	Timothy Langley. ..	
Dec. 30	Charles H. Towle ...	70	11	28	Chichester...	M.	"	M.	Farmer.....	Chichester.	Chichester...	Joshua Towle	Hannah W. Sherburne.

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CHARLES W. LAKE, *Town Clerk.*

Bodies brought to Chichester for Interment for the Year ending December 31, 1914.

Date of death.	Place of death.	Name and surname of deceased.	Age.			Place of birth.	Sex and condition.			Occupation.	Place of birth.		Name of father.	Maiden name of mother.
			Years.	Months.	Days.		Sex.	Color.	Sin., mar., or widowed.		Father.	Mother.		
Jan. 19	Concord	John G. Dow	69	2	7		M.	W.	....	Painter				
21	Epsom	Charles W. Davis	54	2	2	Pittsfield	"	"	M.	R. R. section hand		Strafford	William Davis	Shure Evans.
26	Loudon	Smith Davis	74	1	17	Barnstead	"	"	"	Shoemaker	Barnstead	Barnstead	David Davis	Nancy Collins.
April 6	Concord	Sarah E. Lane	77	6	16	Deerfield	F.	"	W.		Deerfield	Nottingham	Coker Veasy	Susan Page.
July 28	Cambridge, Mass	George E. Batchelder	65	9	20		M.	"	....					
Nov. 25	Concord	John F. French	77	4	6	Hooksett	"	"	M.	Farmer	Candia	Hooksett	Joseph French	Betsey Bunton.
Dec. 25	Epsom	Charles C. Towle	71	11	29	Epsom	"	"	S.	"	Epsom	Epsom	Lemuel B. Towle	Nancy A. Prescott.

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